

Sinclair Broadcasting seems to be using the public airways as their own political engine. They didn't allow airing of Nightline's program reading off the names of our war dead and now they are forcing stations to carry seems to be a movie length campaign ad against Sen. John Kerry.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's use of public, free airwaves calls into question the consolidation of media control into the hands of fewer and fewer conglomerates. This is an extreme danger to our democracy when commentary is controlled by a small minority. Please reconsider how you approach these things and investigate the choices Sinclair Broadcasting is making with our public airwaves.